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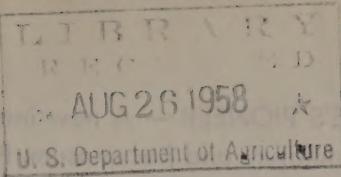
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# Rhododendrons

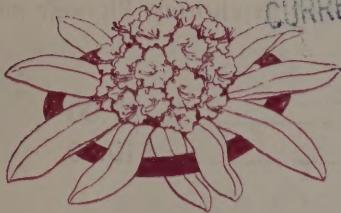
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The catalogue will always remain comparatively limited, eliminating the confusion of long lists of perplexing names, and will be devoted exclusively to the more select hybrids, both old and new.

I have been closely identified with Joseph Gable for almost 10 years, collaborating in the propagation and dissemination of his hybrid creations. The catalogue will have as its nucleus these modern hybrids of Joseph Gable and as they become available in sufficient quantity will be offered for sale.

All hybrids propagated from cuttings from true to name stock of the highest grade.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

The nursery comprising nearly 50,000 rhododendrons in various stages of development, is virtually a one man operation. A strict work schedule must be religiously adhered to, to properly maintain such a number of plants. Therefore I regret there can be no retail sales on the premises, - at least for the present.

Cash with order payable to Warren Baldsiefen

Orders shipped Express Collect

All plants Jap Beetle certified

All plants B & B

Orders of \$20 or more packed free

For orders under \$20 there will be a packing charge of \$1

No substitutions unless authorized by purchaser

Plants become the property of the purchaser upon delivery to the transportation company and we cannot be responsible for loss, damage, or delay in transit. All orders insured to their catalogue value.

All orders accepted subject to change or cancellation where crop damage may occur over which we have no influence.

Subject to being unsold on receipt and acceptance of order the following items are offered.

GABLE'S PIONEER — A new introduction entitled to the boundless praise it has received. A hybrid of *Mucronulatum* and *Racemosum*, Pioneer has inherited the hardiness, vigor, and adaptability of *Mucronulatum*, combined with the compact and floriferous nature of *Racemosum*. An evergreen rhododendron possessing the rare attribute of blooming along the axils of its branches in addition to the multiple buds on its terminals, Pioneer in full bloom is an unforgettable experience. As an evergreen shrub the remainder of the year this well branched plant is clothed in a leathery but highly burnished foliage. As the species *Mucronulatum* finishes blooming for the spring, Pioneer begins, adding another link in the chain of successive bloom from early spring to mid-summer.

One of the few hybrids to excel in full sunlight, where it loses none of its charms, Pioneer may be safely situated in any location of the garden.

Approximately 6 - 9" branched	\$7.00
Approximately 12 - 15" well branched — Budded	\$10.50

GABLE'S CONEWAGA — A hybrid of *Carolinianum* with *Mucronulatum*, Conewaga extends the blooming season another 10 days or so by unfolding its floral buds as Pioneer is ending her display for the year. Another small leaved hybrid of extreme hardiness, Conewaga is best suited to the woodland setting, where in the late afternoon with lengthening shadows and a weakened sunlight, the pleasing pastel shades are further softened and tinted giving the appearance of a very delicate pink with a slight bluish cast. The full, round, open florets measuring an inch and a half in diameter number two to five per bud with most terminals on mature plants having multiple buds. The actual color registers Amaranth Rose (530/3 to 530) on the Horticultural color chart.

15 - 18" branched but not tight	\$8.50
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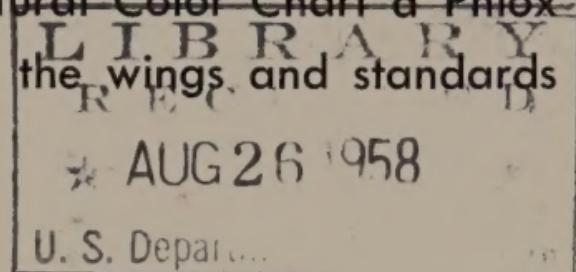
WINDBEAM — This semi-dwarf hybrid is a Nearing introduction from a batch of Conestoga (*Carolinianum* X *Racemosum*) seedlings. A plant of so much refinement and character it is an acquisition of which the originator can be more than a little proud. Although setting flower buds at an early age it makes its debut for acclaim after its fourth or fifth year when terminals are covered with multiple buds. Opening with a trace of pink the blooms gradually transform to a pure white, blanketing the plant with mounds of bloom in graceful proportion. The highly aromatic somewhat elliptical leaves are evergreen and refuse to curl until temperatures dip far below zero, adding one more reason for this plant's continued rise in popularity. Blooming after winters of nearly 20 below zero it lays claim to potential widespread distribution, and its beauty rivaling that of the more tender exotics assures Windbeam of a permanent spot in our landscape.

Branched 10 - 12"	\$6.50
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Gable's new exciting introduction "Pioneer", an exceptionally impressive semi-dwarf small leaved rhododendron. The plants portrayed are slightly over 18" in width and height yet produced an average of over 500 florets per plant.

While every reasonable effort was taken to capture an exact color likeness there is some variation between the picture and actual plant. Pioneer in reality does not quite reach the dazzling brilliance of the picture, registering on the Horticultural Color Chart a Phlox Pink (625/3) or Spirea Red (025/2) with the wings and standards faintly lighter than the falls.



RAMAPO — Another Nearing introduction of a cross between *Carolinianum* and *Fastigiatum* it is one of the truly hardy dwarfs expressly suited for a prominent place in the rockery, along the border, or as a foreground item wherever ericaceous material is in good taste. At home either in sun or partial shade, Ramapo in its own right possesses as much dignity as the coveted *Loderi King George*. Although often referred to as a blue rhododendron it is in reality a brilliant, pale violet. A sublime rhododendron at all seasons, the light blue foliage which persists through early autumn is in itself high recommendation. I have never known one to be damaged by winter in this area.

6 - 8" low spreading ..... \$5.00

CAROLINE GABLE — One of the first selections of Gable's hybridizing, Caroline, although widely known is little seen. Difficult to graft and at first practically impossible from cuttings, this pleasingly attractive hybrid has not enjoyed its share of use in our landscape. Today it is being successfully grown from cuttings and may soon be available in moderate quantity. It is a hybrid which will find its greatest appeal to those who enjoy the more subtle hues. The large and soft textured, sweetly scented, pale mauve flowers persist unusually long. This hybrid has withstood temperatures of more than 20 below zero without damage to either plant or floral buds. Being extremely hardy, it represents as, far as I know, the first opportunity to include fragrance to the rhododendron gardens where temperatures may plunge well below zero. As a foliage plant it makes a handsome shrub with waxed leaves of unusual length and branches hugging the ground.

12 - 15" branched ..... \$10.00

GABLE'S BEAUFORT — A large leaved hybrid of a cross between *Boul De Neige* and *Fortunei*, Beaufort bears pure white fragrant flowers of average size early in the spring. Out of bloom the lustrous light jade foliage and dense plant habit make it a plant of considerable merit and value. It is another addition of fragrance in hybrids to areas plagued by long cold winters.

12 - 15" branched ..... \$10.00

The ironclads require no introduction. Their unfailing performances during the most torturous winters and summers have justly earned for them an excellent reputation and extensive distribution. Lately however, with the swelling influx of new and virtually untried hybrids into the country, these admirable old "classics" have been invideously disparaged. Yet despite this deluding advertising I have not found any of the new introductions from abroad able to supersede the old hybrids under conditions of severe climate. For the sections of rigorous winters they are to this day unrivaled, and many are of sufficient beauty to be insinuated without apologies in the more temperate gardens. Offered are several clones of which I think highly.

10 - 12" \$6.50 Large sizes quoted on request

**AMERICA** — This old hybrid is the finest of the hardy reds. The large handsome candelabroid trusses of close fitting florets make a splash of brilliant red every spring. A prolific blooming hybrid drenching itself in gleaming masses of bloom of great substance, it appears equally at home in sun or semi-shade.

10 - 12" \$6.50 Large sizes quoted on request

**BOUL DE NEIGE** — At all times a superlative plant, no other old hybrid has attained such lasting fame as Boul De Neige. So magnificent is its habit of growth an foliage that were it never to bloom it would notwithstanding, have much to commend it. But without fail each spring the pure snow white, delicately frilled globular trusses rest like crown jewels on rosettes of dark turgid leaves. The "King" of this majestic race of hybrids, it is every cell and fiber of royal blood. It still remains, in its type, second to none.

10 - 12" spread \$7.50

**MRS. C. S. SARGENT** — A hybrid of no little repute it requires only brief comment. A dark rose with yellowish blotch, the large tall trusses unfold slightly later than most catawbiense hybrids extending the period of bloom another week or more. There is never an ample supply of this clone.

10 - 12" \$6.50

**CHARLES DICKENS** — An upright grower of somewhat open habit in its early years of development, this inveterate member of the old Waterer hybrids is slowly vanishing from the trade lists and may soon be unavailable. The flowers, which open mid-season, are bright red of average size and plenteously borne.

10 - 12" \$6.50

**LADY ARMSTRONG** — To date no hybrid of reliable hardiness has been developed to replace Lady Armstrong in her color class. A clear light rose with white eye, completely absent of magenta, it possesses a snap and charm singular to this clone alone. For satisfactory results this plant must have a semi-shady location.

10 - 12" \$6.50 Large sizes quoted on request